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REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 1-18 have been canceled. No claims have been added.

Claims 19-30 are now pending in the application. Reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks.

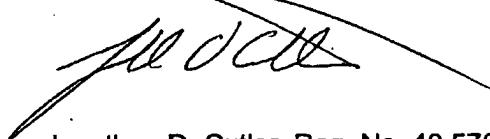
In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner requested that the Applicants elect one of the following groups of claims:

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| Group I | Claims 1-13 |
| Group II | Claims 14-18 |
| Group III | Claims 19-30 |

The Applicants hereby elect group III directed to claims 19-30.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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